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The contents of this chapter include:

- [The State](#): outlining and analysing the capacity of the Somali state and the Somaliland authorities law enforcement, and judiciary to provide protection in accordance with Article 7 QD/QR.
- [Parties or organisations, including international organisations](#): analysing whether Al-Shabaab could qualify as actors of protection under Article 7 QD/QR.

Moreover, the chapter includes '[Considerations of clan support](#)'.

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